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Appointment of members of the Committee on Contributions

Note by the Secretary-General

Addendum

1. The Secretary-General has received notification of the resignations of Shigeki Sumi (Japan), with effect from 1 February 2012, and Bae-yun Park (Republic of Korea), with effect from 6 February 2012, from the Committee on Contributions.

2. Accordingly, the General Assembly will be required to appoint, at its current session, two persons to fill the vacancies for the remaining period of the terms of office of Mr. Sumi and Mr. Park, which expire on 31 December 2012 and 31 December 2014, respectively.

3. The Government of Japan has nominated Kazuo Watanabe to fill the vacancy arising from the resignation of Mr. Sumi.

4. The Government of the Republic of Korea has nominated Dae-jong Yoo to fill the vacancy arising from the resignation of Mr. Park.

5. In a communication dated 27 February 2012, the Secretariat was informed by the Chair of the Group of Asia-Pacific States that the candidatures of Mr. Watanabe and Mr. Yoo had been endorsed by the Group.

6. The candidates' curricula vitae are contained in the annex to the present note.

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Annex

Curricula vitae

Kazuo Watanabe

Education

October 1973	Studied in the General Course of the London School of Economics
March 1975	Graduated from the Department of International Relations, Faculty of Liberal Arts, Tokyo University
July 1975– June 1979	Studied at Salamanca University (first year) and at the Diplomatic Academy of the Spanish Government (second year)

Experience

April 1976	Entered the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan
August 1986	First Secretary, Embassy of Japan in Italy
July 1988	First Secretary, Embassy of Japan in Thailand
January 1993	Director, Second Division, First Yen Credit Bureau, Overseas Economic Cooperation Fund
April 1995	Director, Research and Planning Division, Economic Cooperation Bureau, Ministry of Foreign Affairs
March 1997	Counsellor, Permanent Mission of Japan to the United Nations (in charge of administrative and budgetary matters and United Nations recruitment)
January 1998	Member, Committee on Contributions
October 1999	Minister, Embassy of Japan in Argentina
January 2001– May 2002	Member, Committee on Contributions (second term)
August 2002	Minister, Embassy of Japan in Spain
April 2006	Professor, Faculty of Economics, Kobe University
June 2008	Arrived at Asuncion as Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of Japan to Paraguay
May 2011	Received the title of Doctor of Economics (honoris causa) from Universidad del Norte, Paraguay
September 2011	Ambassador for Science and Technology Cooperation, Ministry of Foreign Affairs

Publication

June 2008	Co-author of the book *Spain*, published by Kawade Shobo Shinsha (319 pp.)

Dae-jong Yoo

Date of birth 11 August 1965

Education

August 1986	Graduated from the Department of French Literature, Seoul National University
December 1994	Graduated from Ecole nationale d'administration, Paris
January–June 1995	Visiting scholar, International Relations and Pacific Studies Programme, University of California, San Diego, United States of America

Experience

June 1988	Joined the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Korea
April 1989	Second Secretary, Division of China and Mongolia, Ministry of Foreign Affairs
June 1995	Principal Secretary to the Vice-Minister of Foreign Affairs
February 1997	Second Secretary, Permanent Mission of the Republic of Korea to the International Organizations in Geneva (responsible for human rights issues and humanitarian assistance)
February 2000	First Secretary, Embassy of the Republic of Korea in Senegal
August 2003	Chief of Personnel Division, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade of the Republic of Korea
August 2004	First Secretary, Permanent Mission of the Republic of Korea to the United Nations, New York (was responsible for the Fifth Committee of the General Assembly and served as Vice-Chair of the Committee for Programme and Coordination)
August 2007	Director, United Nations Division, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade
February 2009	Director, Development Planning and General Affairs, Association of Southeast Asian Nations-Korea Centre, Seoul
February 2010	Minister Counsellor, Permanent Mission of the Republic of Korea to the International Organizations in Vienna (responsible for the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime, the United Nations Industrial Development Organization and the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty Organization, among others; served on the Advisory Group of the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty Organization)
February 2012	Minister Counsellor, Permanent Mission of the Republic of Korea to the United Nations, New York